VENIPUNCTURE
• Prior to venipuncture, rotate catheter hub 360°
• Approach vein slowly at a low angle
• Observe flashback

ADVANCEMENT
• Upon flashback visualization, lower catheter almost parallel to the skin
• Before threading, advance ENTIRE UNIT slightly to ensure catheter tip is in the vein
• Thread catheter into vein while maintaining skin traction

NEEDLE RETRACTION
Before activating the safety device:
• Remove tourniquet
• Apply digital pressure beyond the catheter tip
• Stabilize catheter hub
• Press the white button

SECUREMENT
• Secure catheter and apply sterile dressing according to policy and procedure
QUICK REFERENCE CARD

Things to Remember:

• Do not bend the needle prior to insertion
• Never reinsert needle into the catheter as this could shear the catheter
• Do not withdraw needle from catheter hub before pressing the white button
• Do not use scissors at or near the insertion site
• Aseptic technique and proper skin preparation of the site are essential
• Discard the needle in the nearest sharps collector. Follow your institution’s policy for safe disposal of all medical waste
• Obtain appropriate medical attention in the event of an accidental needlestick injury. Follow your institution’s protocol.